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## **Introduction**

On February 24, 2023, the Montana Board of Crime Control (MBCC) facilitated a planning meeting with the newly formed Crisis Intervention Advisory Board (CIAB) to initiate the conception of Montana's FY2023 –FY2026 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Strategic Plan. The CIAB is made up of knowledgeable professionals including, but not limited to, law enforcement, the community, courts, prosecution, behavioral health providers, victim services, and legal counsel. MBCC staff coordinated with the CIAB to develop revised program and budget plans, resulting in funding priorities for FY2022 - FY2023 Byrne SCIP funds.

On March 16, 2023, the MBCC in conjunction with the CIAB, voted and adopted the FY2023 – FY2026 Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP) Strategic Plan.

## **Crisis Intervention Advisory Board**

Montana's Crisis Intervention Advisory Board (CIAB) was formed predominantly from members of the already existing Montana Board of Crime Control (MBCC). MBCC is designated by statute as the Governor's single state administering agency (SAA) that manages millions of grant dollars dedicated for public safety, crime prevention and victim assistance.

***The mission of the Board of Crime Control is to proactively contribute to public safety, crime prevention, and victim assistance through planning, policy development, and coordination of the justice system in partnership with citizens, government, and communities.***

MBCC was established in 1968 in response to the 1968 Safe Streets Act and is headed by an eighteen-member Board appointed by the Governor. Board members represent, including but not limited to, law enforcement, criminal and juvenile justice system stakeholders, victims' professionals, and citizens, including tribal entities.

The MBCC has been responsible for significant improvements to Montana's justice system. Not only does the Board strive to improve the justice system, the Board is also a forum for the discussion of ideas and innovation within the justice system.

The MBCC as the oversight body performing as the CIAB, will inform and guide the Byrne SCIP-related court-based, behavioral health deflection, and gun safety and violence reduction programs and initiatives. It is anticipated another member of the MBCC representing legal

counsel will soon be appointed by Montana's Governor. The new appointee will also become a member of the CIAB. One citizen stakeholder representing behavioral health was also accepted as a CIAB advisory member.

Current CIAB members are:

- **\*Leo Dutton**; Sheriff & Coroner, Lewis and Clark County; MBCC and CIAB Chair; Representing Law Enforcement
- **\*Bryan Gootkin**; Director, Montana Department of Corrections; Representing Law Enforcement
- **\*Bryan Lockerby**; Administrator, Montana Division of Criminal Investigation; Delegate for the Attorney General; Representing Law Enforcement
- **\*Doug Overman**; Chief of Police, Kalispell; Representing Law Enforcement
- **\*Kaydee Snipes Ruiz**; District Court Judge, 12<sup>th</sup> Judicial District; Representing Judiciary and Courts
- **\*Wyatt English**; Unit Supervisor, Pine Hills Correctional Facility; Representing Correctional Facility
- **\*Amy Tenney**; Chief Executive Officer, Boyd Andrew Community Services; Representing Corrections Treatment Programs and Behavioral Health Providers
- **\*Shantelle Gaynor**; Director, Missoula County Community Justice Department; Representing Victims Services
- **\*Gary Mihelish**; CIAB Advisory Member; President, National Alliance on Mental Illness, Helena; Representing Behavioral Health Providers and Community
- **Rick Kirn**; Fort Peck Tribal Member and Rural Montana Representative; MBCC Vice Chair; Representing Tribal Government and Community
- **Laurie Barron**; Superintendent, Evergreen School District; Representing Educators
- **Terry Boyd**; Probation and Parole Officer, Montana Department of Corrections; Representing Community Corrections
- **Wyatt Glade**; County Attorney, Custer County; Representing Law Enforcement, Prosecution and Legal Counsel
- **Beth McLaughlin**; Court Administrator, Montana Supreme Court; Representing Judiciary and Courts
- **Angela Russell**; Attorney, Crow Indian Reservation; Representing Public and Community
- **Michael Sanders**; Chief of Police, East Helena; Representing Law Enforcement

**\*CIAB members above with asterisks (\*) attended the Byrne SCIP Strategic Planning meeting. It is anticipated other members as able will also attend future CIAB meetings.**

## Montana’s Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program (SCIP)

Montana’s Byrne SCIP program is designed to provide funding for and/or implementation of crisis intervention programs, specialized court-based programs, and gun violence reduction programs and initiatives, as authorized by the Bipartisan Safer Communities Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2022. Montana has no Extreme Risk Protection Order (ERPO) laws in effect therefore, the CIAB will not pursue any types of ERPO programs.

As a part of the strategic planning process, the CIAB identified priority program initiatives to be funded with FY2022 – FY2023 Byrne SCIP funds. Sorted by funding categories, programs to be funded are:

### 1. State Share (60%)

| <u>Goals</u>   | <u>Objectives</u>  | <u>Timelines</u> |
|--|--|------------------|
| 1) Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds to initiate and support <b>School Resource Officer (SRO) training programs.</b>                       | 1) To support SRO training related to gun violence and mental health.  | 2023 – 2026      |
|  | 2) To support SRO training related to high-risk youth and youth in crisis.                                   | 2023 – 2026      |
|  | 3) To support training to build SRO programs in communities and schools.                                     | 2023 – 2026      |
|  | 4) To support SRO training in teen dating.   | 2023 – 2026      |
| 2) Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds to initiate and support <b>school and community-based mental health, with a youth focus programs.</b> | 1) To support programs related to high-risk youth and youth in crisis.                                       | 2023 – 2026      |
|  | 2) To support evidence-based or best practice programs addressing this goal.                                 | 2023 – 2026      |
| 3) Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds to initiate <b>co-responder training programs.</b>  | 1) To support police-based intervention that pairs trained police officers with mental health professionals. | 2023 – 2026      |
|  | 2) To train police paired with mental health providers   | 2023 – 2026      |

|  |   |             |
|--|---|-------------|
|  | <p>responding to incidents involving individuals experiencing behavioral health crises.</p> <p>3) To train police paired with mental health providers responding to sexual and domestic violence incidents.</p> | 2023 – 2026 |
|--|---|-------------|

**2. Required Local Pass-Through (Direct)**

| <b>Goals</b>   | <b>Objectives</b>  | <b>Timelines</b>  |
|--|--|---|
| 1) Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds to initiate and support <b>School Resource Officer (SRO) training programs.</b>                       | <p>1) To support SRO training related to gun violence and mental health.</p> <p>2) To support SRO training related to high-risk youth and youth in crisis.</p> <p>3) To support training to build SRO programs in communities and schools.</p> <p>4) To support SRO training in teen dating.</p> | <p>2023 – 2026</p> <p>2023 – 2026</p> <p>2023 – 2026</p> <p>2023 – 2026</p> |
| 2) Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds to initiate and support <b>school and community-based mental health, with a youth focus programs.</b> | <p>1) To support programs related to high-risk youth and youth in crisis.</p> <p>2) To prioritize evidence-based or best practice programs.</p>  | <p>2023 – 2026</p> <p>2023 – 2026</p>                                       |
| 3) Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds to initiate <b>co-responder training programs.</b>  | <p>1) To support police-based intervention that pairs trained police officers with mental health professionals.</p> <p>2) To train police paired with mental health providers</p>  | <p>2023 – 2026</p> <p>2023 – 2026</p>                                       |

|  |   |             |
|--|---|-------------|
|  | <p>responding to incidents involving individuals experiencing behavioral health crises.</p> <p>3) To train police paired with mental health providers responding to sexual and domestic violence incidents.</p> | 2023 – 2026 |
|--|---|-------------|

**Required Local Pass-Through (<\$10,000)**

| <b>Goals</b>  | <b>Objectives</b>  | <b>Timelines</b>                      |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1) Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds for <b>treatment court acceptance and addressing of violent offenders while helping to mitigate gun violence programs.</b>           | <p>1) To support treatment for violent offenders in treatment court.</p> <p>2) To support gun mitigation programs for violent offenders in treatment court.</p>                    | 2023 - 2026                           |
| 2) Prioritize Byrne SCIP funds for <b>treatment court acceptance and addressing domestic violence victims ending up in court due to committing crimes programs.</b> | <p>1) To support treatment for domestic violence victims in treatment court.</p> <p>2) To support emergency housing programs for domestic violence victims in treatment court.</p> | <p>2023 – 2026</p> <p>2023 - 2026</p> |

## **Funding Levels to Support Funding Priorities**

Taking into consideration the Byrne SCIP priority program initiatives with goals and objectives above, the CIAB on March 24, 2023, designated State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2024 - SFY 2025 Byrne SCIP funding levels for program priorities, as funding allows:

| <b><u>Funding Category</u></b>          | <b><u>State Fiscal Years</u></b> | <b><u>Budget</u></b>  | <b><u>Notes</u></b>   |
|---|----------------------------------|---|---|
| State Share (60%)                       | 2024 - 2025                      | \$693,765 to programs supporting the goals and objectives listed above. | Competitive application process. Anticipated sub-grant project periods 1/1/2024 - 12/31/2025. |
| Required Local Pass-Through (Direct)    | 2024 - 2025                      | \$387,905 to programs supporting the goals and objectives listed above. | Competitive application process. Anticipated sub-grant project periods 1/1/2024 - 12/31/2025. |
| Required Local Pass-Through (<\$10,000) | 2024 - 2025                      | \$167,107 to programs supporting the goals and objectives listed above. | Competitive application process. Anticipated sub-grant project periods 1/1/2024 - 12/31/2025. |

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